

Attachment H: ABW II Additional Waivers--Request and Justification

The following additional waivers are requested by the State of Michigan for the populations included in this waiver pursuant to the authority of section 1115(a)(1) of the Social Security Act:

Retroactive Coverage Section 1902(a)(34) and 42 CFR § 435.914

The State of Michigan requests waiver of the requirement to provide retroactive coverage to the Adult Benefit Waiver II beneficiaries. Services will be covered for the month of application and for subsequent months for which eligibility has been determined by the State.

Amount, Duration and Scope of Services Section 1902(a)(10)(B) and 42CFR § 440.230-250

The State of Michigan requests waiver of the requirement that the amount, duration and scope of services be equally available to all beneficiaries within an eligibility category and that they are equally available to categorically and medically needy groups. Under the waiver Michigan will provide different benefit plans to the Section 1931 Group and the Caretaker Relative Group. In addition pregnant women eligible under any category will receive the State Plan Medicaid benefit. The waivers also includes a family planning benefit for women who delivered while on Medicaid and have lost eligibility under the poverty level program for pregnant women.

Income Limitations Sections 1902(1) and 1903(f), and 42 CFR § 435.100

The State of Michigan requests this waiver to allow the state to request federal financial participation in costs over and above premiums collected for the Parent/Caretaker Relative Buy-In group. Participants will be charged actuarially established premiums intended to cover the full cost of the services provided. However, actual costs of the program may exceed the total of premiums collected due to adverse selection or application of a grace period for premium payments.

Copayments Section 1902(1)(14) and 42 CFR § 447.54 and 447.53

The State of Michigan requests this waiver to allow copayments that exceed the maximum allowed under these provisions.

Services Section 1902(a) and 1905 (a)

The State of Michigan requests waiver of these sections so that the state may offer a reduced benefit package to expansion groups and the Caretaker Relative eligibility group. Benefits for each of the groups covered under the waiver are included in Attachment C.

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Income Methodologies Sections 1902(a)(10)(B) and 1902(a)(17)(D)

The State of Michigan requests this waiver so that it may develop eligibility methodologies that are administratively more efficient and that in unusual circumstances could be interpreted as being more restrictive. The state also intends to count family income in determining eligibility for the expansion populations.

Eligibility Categories Section 1902(1)(10)

The State of Michigan requests this waiver so that it may cover individuals who may not be described in a covered group under the Act. The State intends to provide a limited family planning benefit to certain women who have given birth to their first child while on the Medicaid program.

Comparability Section 1902(a)(17)(A)

The State of Michigan requests this waiver so that it apply different eligibility standards to applicants and beneficiaries and to different categories within the TANF-related categories.

The State of Michigan also requests any other waivers that the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services deems necessary to implement this waiver.